

**ABSTRACT**

Briefly, in accordance one embodiment of the invention, a method of suspending a network connection used for low priority transmissions between a client platform and a server platform includes: determining a characteristic of a transmission between the client platform and the server platform, said characteristic consisting essentially of a high priority transmission and a low priority transmission; and suspending the connection if the characteristic of the transmission comprises a high priority transmission.

Briefly, in accordance with another embodiment, a method of using a network connection between a client platform and a server platform includes: producing on one of the platforms a list of Uniform Resource Locators (URLs) from a requested network page, said list comprising links in said requested network page; and pre-fetching via said connection at least one of said URLs to said remote proxy server.

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